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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified patent  
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 12, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21 and 24 as follows:

12. (Amended) A system according to any one of claims 1 to 8,  
wherein said storage means form part of a computer.

15. (Amended) A system according to claim 12, wherein the  
comparator means take the form of software configured to perform a sequence of  
operations using the reference data and the output signal in order to generate the  
error signal.